

# BOSTON'S BIG BLAZE. THE BIG MINE CONFERENCE.

One Life and \$500,000 Worth of Property Lost.  
Buildings Burned Number 137—  
Twenty-two Others Damaged.

About 2,300 People Left Homeless at the Hub.

BOSTON, May 16.—A stretch of smoking, blackened ruins covering more than a dozen acres, was the picture at the scene of yesterday's fire at the South End revealed when the sun rose this morning. A few steamers were still at work and scores of firemen were exploring the burned buildings. Household furniture and property of every description littered the streets and hundreds of people made homeless by the conflagration were vainly searching the ruins of their houses in the hope of finding something of value remaining.

Madison Park, just south of Cabot street, was completely gutted, with furniture and household goods, piled in a confused mass several feet in height. Scores of policemen patrolled the burned district and thousands of sightseers thronged outside the ropes.

A careful investigation this morning shows that about twelve acres of ground were burned over and that about half a million of dollars worth of property was destroyed. About one hundred buildings, over two-thirds of which were wooden structures, have been wholly destroyed, and twenty more were partially burned. More than 75 per cent of the burned dwellings were dwelling houses which were occupied by the poorer classes, and 47 families, or about 2,300 people, are homeless.

The Boston Baseball Association and the city of Boston are the heaviest financial losers. The property of the former was valued at \$70,000, and in a total loss. The city's loss is over \$100,000.

But one fatality has been reported, a three-months-old baby, being suffocated on Berlin street. About seven persons were injured, none of them seriously. The most common injury is to the eyes, nearly all of the fire chiefs being affected by the smoke and intense heat.

Nearly a dozen invalids taken from houses now in ruins were conveyed to the hospitals. The severity of the fire was injured or seriously affected by the transfer.

The burned district extends from 54 Berlin street to Walpole street and to 3 Grinnell street, from Grinnell and Nassau field, on the north, to the corner of the street, around in the rear of Sarfield street to 197 Tremont street, including all the buildings between the latter street and Coventry street, across Tremont street to No. 102; in the rear of Tremont to 200, and on the east side, the north side of Sterling street to Cabot, on the east side, where the fire was checked.

From 41 Cabot street the ruins extend westward through the block to Tremont street, where the fire was checked. Burke street to Berlin, and on the latter thoroughfare as far as Benson street. Within this district every building is either gutted or completely destroyed.

Shortly after 1 o'clock this morning fire broke out again in the top of a brick block on the west side of Cabot street, and burned for an hour. The building was destroyed.

## LIGHTNING IN CHICAGO.

Eight Buildings Struck During a Storm There Yesterday.

CHICAGO, May 16.—A severe wind and electrical storm passed over the city yesterday, doing considerable damage. The Lincoln Park Sanatorium was struck by lightning, its flagpole knocked to splinters and a large hole torn in its roof. Another bolt struck the Irving Park school-house, tearing a hole through the roof and causing a panic among the scholars.

Six houses in different parts of the city were struck during the storm. No one was killed.

## KILLED BY A CAVE-IN.

Two Dead and Two Hurt in the Owensburg, Ind., Tunnel.

BEDFORD, Ind., May 16.—The Owensburg tunnel in the Swiss City Narrows, Gaule branch of the Union, eighteen miles from this city, caved in yesterday, instantly killing J. A. Truitt and Ozam Jackson, both of New Albany, Ind. William H. Hurst, of New Albany, also received injuries from the fall, but will probably die. Mat Quinn, of Newberry, Ind., was also severely injured. The accident was caused by removing a bent.

## CHEESE POISONS TWELVE.

Three Persons in Logansport Likely to Die of Typhoid.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., May 16.—Peter Rothelmer and family, Martin Carroll and family, and Charles Myers and family, contracting in all of twelve persons, have been poisoned by eating cheese. Soon after eating the cheese they were taken violently ill. Physicians said they were suffering from typhoid, or milk poisoning. No other persons have been affected by the cheese, but three of them will hardly recover.

## HIS ARM NEARLY SEVERED.

Baltimore Hatter Falls Through a Into-Glass Window.

BALTIMORE, May 16.—John G. Frunk, a prominent hatter of Gay and Baltimore streets, while adjusting an electric light in front of his store last night received a shock which paralyzed one arm and caused him to fall from the ladder. The shattered glass nearly severed the other arm from his body. It is thought he cannot live.

## Found Dead in His Cell.

Harris Allen, forty-two years old and homeless, was found dead this morning in his cell in the jail street station-house. He was arrested last night for the murder of a man named Thomas Smith, who he had killed in a fight in a saloon. He was found in his cell with a knife in his hand and a pool of blood on the floor.

## Wire News in Brief.

The David Bradley Manufacturing Company, of Chicago, one of the largest manufacturers of artificial ice cream, has been ordered to pay \$10,000 for want of fuel on account of the coal strike.

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# ITS AFFAIRS STILL IN A CHAOTIC SHAPE THIS MORNING.

Half-and-Half Compromise Which Probably Will Not Go.

CLEVELAND, O., May 16.—Although one session of the coal conference had been held and a night spent in discussing had intervened, the conditions just before the conference met to-day were still very chaotic. At 8 o'clock the miners had another executive session in Case Hall to perfect their scale of wages, which was to be later presented to the Convention in the form of a simple resolution, calling for a rate of 70 cents in the Pittsburgh district; 50 cents in the Central Pennsylvania District; 70 cents in the Jackson and Hocking Valley fields in Ohio; 80 to 85 cents in the Massillon, O. District; from 70 to 80 in Indiana and from 70 to 85 in Illinois. Back of these general figures are rates for the different subdivisions in each district, so that the matter is almost as complicated an affair as the tariff bill. The most of it is wholly uninteresting to the great majority of the miners and operators.

The operators held another meeting at the Hollenden early to-day and continued their effort to unite upon a plan to be followed in the case of a more liberal feeling was manifested, but the Pittsburgh rail men and the Ohioa were still far apart. A more liberal feeling was manifested, but the Pittsburgh rail men and the Ohioa were still far apart. A more liberal feeling was manifested, but the Pittsburgh rail men and the Ohioa were still far apart.

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## CALLS MANUEL A THIEF.

Mrs. Patterson Could Not Prove It, and Manuel Is Discharged.

Jacob Manuel, twenty-six years old, living in a lodging-house at 217 Broadway, was arraigned in the Yorkville court this morning charged with the theft of two overcoats by Mrs. Margaret Patterson, janitress of the flat house, 523 Lexington avenue.

She said about a week ago Manuel called at the house and told her a pitiful story of poverty and hunger. She gave him a hearty meal and some small change, and told him that if he called the next day she would see that her husband would procure him some work.

Manuel promised to call, but failed to do so. On Monday night the Patterson apartments were entered by way of the basement window and the two coats were stolen.

Mrs. Patterson at once suspected that Manuel was the thief. Last night she met him in the street and charged him with the theft. When arraigned in court he protested his innocence, and as there was no direct evidence against him he was discharged.

## ACCUSED OF ROBBERY.

The Men Believed to Have Been Wearing Stolen Trousers.

Thomas McMahon, twenty-four years old, of 132 East Fourth street, and William Taylor, twenty-seven years old, of 26 East Twenty-sixth street, were arraigned in the Yorkville Police Court this morning charged with burglary in the tailor shop of J. Engelman, of 35 Third avenue.

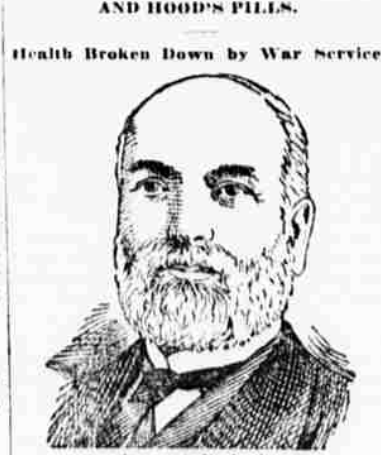
At 3 o'clock this morning Policeman Fichtel, of the East Twenty-second street station, saw the two men coming down Third avenue, near Fifteenth street, with bundles under their arms. They turned into Fifteenth street.

Fichtel investigated and found that the men had more than one pair of trousers. They also carried a few pairs of trousers under their arms.

## A Veteran's Life

SAVED BY HOOD'S SARAPARILLA AND HOOD'S PILLS.

Health Broken Down by War Service.



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# TRAMPS TRY TRAIN-WRECKING

Links Dropped on the Track Ahead of the Chicago Express.

Tramways Fight the Hobo Gang and Take Two Prisoners.

WINONA, Minn., May 16.—A desperate attempt was made by three drunken tramps to wreck the Chicago express on the Milwaukee road, near Minnesota City, six miles from here. The tramps got on the blind baggage at Minnesota City, and on the end of the tender of links and pins, which were dropped in an effort to derail the train at Minnesota City.

The crew tried to capture the tramps. A fight ensued and, after a desperate struggle, two of the tramps were captured, but the leader, named Kelly, a well-known desperado, escaped. Later he was captured, and is now in jail here.

## KELLY BOATS STRANDED.

Two of His "Sailors" Arrested for Assaulting Evident Officers.

ELDON, Ia., May 16.—The Industrial Navy started from Ottumwa promptly at noon yesterday, and encountered the worst section of the river thus far met during the trip. Last night one hundred boats camped half a mile below the city, the rest being scattered on sands, rocks and mud bars, ten miles above.

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## TRAMPS SHOOT AN OFFICER.

Farmer in Pursuit Accidentally Wounded by a Posse.

FON DU LAC, Wis., May 16.—Five tramps were camped around a key of beer near the city limits yesterday, and when Officer Fontana ordered them to move they opened fire on him, inflicting a painful wound. The tramps then fled, and citizens took up the chase, which was kept up until dark.

John E. Jones, a farmer, joined the posse and was mistaken in the dark for one of the tramps. He was ordered to stop, refused, and was fatally wounded by a volley from the posse.

## 'WEALERS' UNDER ARREST.

About to Seize Green River Train When Taken in Custody.

GREEN RIVER, Wyo., May 16.—The United States Marshal, Rankin in Montana, have arrived here and made a request to be put under arrest, but Marshal Rankin refused to comply. A sandstorm was raging and later snow and hail fell, making the hungry men desperate. They were taken in custody.

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## No Welcome for Galvin's Army.

LATROBE, Pa., May 16.—Galvin's demoralized army took to town yesterday numbering 146 men by actual count. They camped on the north side of the city, and the main body of the army was getting neither sympathy nor assistance from the actual workmen.

There were thirty-five men at work in the tunnel. They were forced by the men on the hill and the workmen of the gas company's tunnel an explosion of dynamite occurred. It is only about a mile from the tunnel.

## ALLEGED FORGER CAUGHT.

He Is Said to Be a Civil Engineer in Detroit.

Inspector McLaughlin received a telegram four days ago from C. C. Starkweather, Chief of Police of Detroit, Mich., calling for the arrest of James R. De Witt, thirty-one years old, a man with one arm and a civil engineer of Detroit.

He is wanted on a charge of passing a forged check of \$500 of the National Bank of Commerce of New York, on the proprietor of the Hotel Cadillac, Detroit. De Witt is known also as J. R. Winslow and A. J. Whitney.

## CORONER CRITICIZED.

Mrs. McCarthy's Mother Says He Did Not Do His Duty.

LONG ISLAND CITY, L. I., May 16.—The Coroner's jury has found that Mrs. Mary McCarthy, who died in St. John's Hospital Sunday night, after having been beaten by her husband, Richard, came to her death because of improper medical treatment administered at the hands of the coroner.

McCarthy is still in jail. He is released on \$10,000 bail. It is said that he had been indicted by the grand jury for the murder of his wife.

## COUNTERFEIT LABELS.

Printer James J. McShuskey Accused of Issuing Them.

JAMES J. McShuskey, thirty-eight years old, printer at 28 Greenwich street, was held in \$500 bail in the Tombs Police Court this morning for printing counterfeit labels of Hornbly's oatmeal packages.

The complaint was made by Alfred E. Rose, President of the Company, who claims to have been defrauded out of counterfeit money by these counterfeit packages.

McShuskey's case was set down for hearing on June 1.

Mrs. WINSLOW'S SOUTHERN SYRUP for children teaching is the family favorite.

In going to the fire Fireman Moore May Die.

# JONES'S WOODS DESTROYED.

Of James Finan next door. Finan is a horse dealer. He had three horses in his stable that were locked in. They were burned.

No Time to Save Goods.

No. 526 East Sixty-eighth street was occupied by John Ray. It also was a two-story brick dwelling, with a stable in the rear. Not even the walls remained standing.

Next, at 528, Charles McGee, a truckman, lived in a two-story dwelling. His house and stable were consumed, but his horses were rescued.

Kate Duffy occupied the next house, No. 526. In the rear of her house, Charles McGee, a private auctioneer, lived in a frame house, and in the rear of his place was the blacksmith shop of Seidnitz & Schultz.

None of these people had time to save a stick of their household goods. Mrs. Duffy made an effort to do so, but a portion of the roof of her house fell, and she rushed out into the street.

## Balsam Biarritz Gloves

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